

Clean Water Act (CWA) Funding

- CWA Section 319(h) Program Provides grant funds for implementation of management measures that will reduce NPS pollution; recipients must meet program eligibility requirements
- CWA Section 518(f) Authorizes Tribes to be treated in the same manner as states and receive grants under Section 319

Section 319(h) Allocation

- Base Funds
 - \$30,000 or \$50,000 (dependent upon land area)
 - Eligible activities include NPS program operating costs, on-the-ground project implementation, staff training, development and/or implementation of a watershed-based plan, and building institutional capacity
- Competitive Funds
 - Up to \$150,000
 - Eligible activities are limited to on-the-ground restoration project related expenses and development and/or implementation of a watershed-based plan (up to 20% of total project)

Requirements for a CWA Section 319(h) Grant

- 1. Documentation of Tribal eligibility determination (on file at EPA Regional Office)
 - Treatment As a State (TAS)/ Financial Assistance Eligibility (FAE) Determination
 - Approved NPS Assessment Report and Management Program
- 2. Grant application (SF-424 and other Docs)
- 3. Work plan and Budget

Nonfederal Match Requirements

- CWA Section 319 grant requires a 40% nonfederal match of the total project cost
- If a Tribe demonstrates that the 40% match imposes undue financial hardship, EPA may approve a 10% nonfederal match
 - Tribe describes their particular need in a letter to the Regional Administrator
- PPG: If the funds will go into a PPG, the match can be reduced to 5%

FY2008 – CWA Section 319 Grant Schedule

- Eligibility Determination Date October 12, 2007
- Base grant work plan submittals due to EPA Regional office December 7, 2007
- Competitive grant proposal work plan due to EPA Regional office or grants.gov December 7, 2007
- EPA Headquarters notifies Regions and Tribes of project selections March 3, 2008
- Final grant application due to EPA Regional office April 2, 2008

Base Grant Funding Process

- Submit proposed work plan and budget to the Regional Office by December 7, 2007
- Work plan should include (use a work plan chart):
 - (1) Description of each significant category of NPS activity to be addressed;
 - (2) Work plan components;
 - (3) Work plan commitments for each work plan component;
 - (4) Estimated funding amount for each work plan component;
 - (5) Estimated work years for each work plan component;
 - (6) Roles and responsibilities of the recipient and EPA in carrying out the work plan commitments;
 - (7) Reporting schedule and description of performance evaluation process
- Final grant application is due to the Regional Office by April 2, 2008

SAMPLE Work Plan Chart

A copy of work plan chart is in your binder

SAMPLE WORKPLAN – BASE PROGRAM NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM (CWA§319) Responsible Staff & Work Years Work Plan Goals with Tasks and Environmental Results Estimated Cost* Deliverables Statu s Dates Start End GOAL: Decrease livestock access to riverbanks of Smith River. Task 1(a): Purchase fencing supplies Task 1(b): Fence (X) # of yards of riverbank ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: Improve water quality through a decline in sediments in the river by preventing livestock access to the river. 10/01 10/30 11/01 12/30 Submit "Before" and "After" photos with quarterly report. WQS Crew .20 \$15,000 GOAL: Revegetate project area with native vegetation. Task 2(a): Purchase trees, shrubs, and grasses Task 2(b): Plant trees, shrubs, and grasses Task 2(c): Install watering system for vegetation ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: The growth of native vegetation at the project site will stabilize the riverbank and reduce the amount of sedimentation from going into the river. Submit "Before" and "After" photos with quarterly reports. 2/1 2/28 3/1 4/30 4/01 5/30 \$10,000 WQS Crew .20 GOAL: Provide alternate water sources for livestock. Task 3(a): Purchase solar panels and troughs. Task 3(b): Install solar-powered water system ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: Providing alternate water resources for livestock will prevent them from going into the river thus leading to a decline in sedimentation and pathogen introduction. 11/01 12/30 1/01 2/30 Submit photos of new water system with quarterly report. WQS .16 Crew \$8,000

4	GOAL: Educate Tribal Community on the importance of water quality protection and nonpoint source pollution control program. Task 4(a): Develop water quality education/outreach program. Task 4(b): Hold public outreach meetings and site visits to project area. Task 4(c): Contribute articles to the Environmental Department's monthly newsletter. ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: Changes in awareness and understanding of the status of water quality and the affects of nonpoint source pollution problems as demonstrated by direct participation in workshops, meetings, and site visits.	10/01 12/31 Semi- annually Monthly	-Submit to EPA an education and outreach program description -Include in quarterly reports a summary of public meetings and site visits -Provide copies of newsletters	WQS	.10	\$3,000
5	GOAL: Develop draft Watershed-based Plan for Smith- Anderson Watershed Task S(a): Review guidelines and checklists for development of a watershed-based plan Task S(b): Meet with stakeholders in watershed Task S(c): Develop draft watershed-based plan ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: The watershed-based plan will allow for nonpoint source problems and pollutants of concern to be addressed and reduced at a watershed level.	6/01 6/15 6/01 7/30 8/1 9/30	- Document activities in quarterly reports - Document meetings in quarterly reports - Submit draft WBP for EPA review	WQS	.14	\$7,000
6	GOAL: Training for NPS Staff Task 6(a): Attend the annual NPS Workshop Task 6(b): Attend workshops on BMPs and other NPS issues as they become available. ENVIRONMENTAL RESULT: To increase staff knowledge, as demonstrated by staff through "on-the-job" implementation.	10/01 9/30	Provide status and summary of trainings in quarterly reports along with copies of training certificates, if available.	WQS Crew	.10	\$5,000

evaluate a including - Status of - Status of - Status of - Summary reporting problems performat - Tasks not completic ENVIRONMEE	each work plan goal, task, deliverable expenditures for reporting period of accomplishments including the of environmental results and discussion of impacting or expected to impact con schedule and proposed dates of		Quarterly Reports submitted to EPA	WQS .10	\$2,000
(WQS): Water Qua (Crew): NPS Crew *This reflects the to etc.	ulity Specialist	salary, fringe, equi	pment, contractual, suppli	ies, travel, IDC,	TOTAL: \$50,000 EPA: \$30,000 MATCH: \$20,000

Competitive Funding Process Tribes submit competitive grant proposals to Regional Office by December 7, 2007

Competitive Process

- Regions evaluate proposals to determine whether they meet the Regional threshold evaluation criteria in order to be forwarded on to national competition:
 - (1) TAS/FAE Determination by October 12, 2007
 - (2) Approved NPS Assessment Report and Management Program Plan by October 12, 2007
 - (3) Provides match for total project costs
 - (4) Maximum budget is \$150,000 of federal funds (plus the required match)
 - (5) All proposed activities are related to the waters on the Reservation
 - (6) All proposed activities are consistent with the Tribe's approved NPS Management Plan
 - (7) Workplan includes the seven required elements (same as base workplans)

Competitive Process

- Once the Region determines Tribe's grant proposal passes the Regional threshold evaluation criteria review, the proposal is forwarded to EPA HQ for the national competition
- National review committee reviews the proposals and evaluates them based on the 8 evaluation factors and forwards ranking scores to EPA HQ
 - Evaluation factors based on Guideline's selection criteria
 - Copy of review sheet are in the Guidelines

Competitive Process

- EPA Headquarters notifies Regions/Tribes of proposals selected for formal grant application by March 3, 2008
- Tribes submit final grant applications to Region by April 2, 2008
 - Cover letter
 - Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424)
 - Full work plan (include work plan chart and budget

Award Process

- Base funds and competitive funds can be kept separately as two grants or combined together into one grant
- Region reviews final grant application for
 - Content
 - Completeness
 - Compliance with applicable guidelines and regulations
- Grant awarded by Summer 2008